

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method for controlling scanning devices using control sheets, comprising the steps of:
  - a) starting an imaging job;
  - b) locating a control image within said imaging job;
  - c) processing control instructions from said control image; and
  - d) creating output in accordance with said control instructions.
2. The method as claimed in claim 1 wherein said scanning job is an image acquisition task.
3. The method as claimed in claim 1 wherein said scanning job is an image production task.
4. The method of claim 1 wherein said control image is in machine-readable format.
5. The method of claim 1 wherein said control image is text.
6. The method of claim 1 wherein said control image is numbers.
7. The method of claim 1 wherein said method includes the steps of locating a second control image and processing that control image.
8. A method for controlling imaging devices using control sheets, comprising the steps of:
  - a) starting an imaging job;
  - b) locating a control image within said imaging job;
  - c) creating output for said imaging job; and

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d) processing control instructions from said control image and using said control instructions for managing said output.

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9. The method as claimed in claim 8 wherein said scanning job is an image acquisition task.

5 10. The method as claimed in claim 8 wherein said scanning job is an image production task.

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11. The method as claimed in claim 8 wherein said scanning job is an image production task.

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12. The method of claim 8 wherein said control image is in machine-readable format.

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13. The method of claim 8 wherein said control image is text.

14. The method of claim 8 wherein said control image is numbers.

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15. The method of claim 8 wherein said method includes the steps of locating a second control image and processing said second control image.